

TOWN OF DIGHTON
BOARDS OF HEALTH – SPECIAL MEETING
JULY 25, 2013

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In the absence of Chairman Thomas Pires, Member Dean V. Cronin convened a meeting the Board of health in the Hearings Room of the town hall on Thursday, 25 July 2013, at 9:00AM. Present were member Patrick W. Menges and Dighton Animal Control Officer Stacy Ferry, who had come at the request of the Board to explain weekend animal control coverage arrangements.

Mrs. Ferry said that she had contacted Manny Massa, Animal Control Officer in Taunton, to ask for weekend coverage for Dighton, but that he hadn't responded. Concerning an indication that there had not been adequate Animal Control Coverage in Dighton during the weekend of 20-21 July 2013 (just passed), Mrs. Ferry said that Communications Dispatcher Matthew Tanis had not yet indicated the outcome of that matter. Whether Communications Dispatch Head Paul Reed had posted it, the Board of Health will deal with.

Mr. Cronin said that one of the police officers over the [20-21 July] weekend had said that Taunton's Assistant Animal Control Officer, Mr. Chuck Mosher, said when called, that he had never been asked to cover weekends in Dighton and would gladly do it. Mrs. Ferry said that she had called Taunton seeking weekend Animal Control Officer coverage but had had to leave messages which had gone unreturned, for the city's ACO; as for the assistant, she said, "I'll get his number and will call him."

In the dog shelter at present there is, Mrs. Ferry reported, one lime positive dog who is released to foster family care for company and time out of the confines of the shelter for a few hours daily; a family in Rochester with eight (8) hours may adopt him (he is neutered).

Mr. Cronin asked several informational questions about a restraining order against Scott Canning's Airedale on Wheeler Street in preparation for an appeal hearing before the Board scheduled for 31 July.

On a motion of Mr. Menges, seconded by Mr. Cronin, the Board of Health adjourned at 9:17

AM.



Patrick W. Menges

Clerk of the Board of Health